

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

The Federal Government is required to use all practicable means to avoid Environmental degradation, while preserving historic, cultural, and natural resources. The below Environmental Evaluation Checklist (EEC), the first step in the process, is provided to assist organizations in the determination of NEPA requirements for facility projects. Email completed EECs to Dan.Poulos@noaa.gov for review.

ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION CHECKLIST								
SECTION A: PROJECT ID								
Project Title/ID								
Project Location								
SECTION B: PROJECT DESCRIPTION								
Describe the action involved. Include purpose and need with sufficient information so that a verification of the impact can be performed.								
SECTION C: PROJECT IMPACTS								
Would the proposed activity involve or generate any of the following? If so, provide a brief explanation.								
SOURCE	YES	NO	SOURCE	YES	NO	SOURCE	YES	NO
Air Emissions			Water Flow Modification			Liquid Effluent		
Asbestos			Petroleum Storage			Biological Resources		
Work Force Adjustment			Solid Waste			Pesticide Use		
Excess Noise			PCBs			Chemical Use/Storage		
Utility Modification			Hazardous Waste			Aesthetics		
Soil Disturbance			Radioactive Waste			Wetlands		
Water Treatment			Mixed Waste			RCRA or CERCLA Sites		
Water/Well Use			Radiation Exposure			Permit Modification		
Explanations:								
SECTION D: DETERMINATION								
Check the appropriate box designating the qualification for the proposed project.								
	I find the proposed project qualifies as a CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION (CATEX) per 40 CFR § 6.107.							
	I find the proposed project does not qualify as a CATEX, but COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment; therefore, a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.							
	I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment; therefore, an ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT will be prepared.							
Completed By:						Date		